

REMARKS

Claim 75, which is being presented in revised form as new claim 100 includes an introductory reference to the plurality of information tags as being associated with given goods, so as to provide antecedent basis for “the goods” in the further clauses of the claim.

Claims 60, 61, 72 and 73 have been rewritten in independent form, without changes of scope, and including all of the limitations of the respective base claims 58, and 66, so that it is understood that these claims will be allowed.

New claims 76-102 are based on previous claims 51-77, respectively, but for example the former independent claims 51, 58, 66, 74 and 76 as now presented as claims 76, 83, 91, 99 and 101, have further limitations as outlined in the following table, so as to clearly patentably distinguish over the grounds of rejection of the former claims in the Official Action.

Table Showing Exemplary Further Claim Limitations Over the References,
and Exemplary Antecedent Support Therefor in the Specification

New Claim(s)	Exemplary Added Limitations	Exemplary Support in the Specification
76, 77, 78, 82	First and second subparagraphs of the independent claim 76, and further clauses of dependent claims 77, 78, 82	Page 11, line 13-21 Page 6, line 12-15
83, 85	Second subparagraph of independent claim 83, and further clauses of dependent claim 85	Page 11, lines 13-21 Page 6, lines 12-15
86	The further clause of dependent claim 86	Page 10, line 19, to Page 11, line 5 Page 11, lines 11-13 Page 21, line 2-4
91	The fourth (next to the last) subparagraph	Page 11, lines 13-21 Page 6, lines 12-15
99 101	The last subparagraph of claims 99 and 101	Page 11, lines 13-21 Page 6, lines 12-15

With respect to Section 6 and Page 3 of the Official Action, claim 74 is now presented as claim 99, and makes clear in the last subparagraph, that the second processing circuit, coupled to the antenna, is enabled by the first information to communicate with the second information tag. In Watanabe et al US 5,557,096, the writing machine 18, FIG. 7, is apparently in proximity to the responding circuit 4 so that there is not a problem of communicating with a particular circuit 4 as described for example at page 11, lines 16-21, of the present specification. In Watanabe, the writing machine writes the identification number represented by the bar-code 15 into RAM 29 of a responding circuit 4, but the identification number does not enable the reading of RAM 29 as recited in new claim 99.

With respect for former claim 75, which has been replaced by claim 100, Watanabe lacks any teaching of storing data sets selected from the group which is now recited in claim 100.

With respect to Section 8 at Pages 4-8 of the Official Action, Watanabe teaches sending the identification number represented by bar-code 15 to the responding circuit 4, but does not teach the added limitations of new independent claims 76, 83, 91 and 101 (which replace rejected independent claims 51, 58, 66 and 76) as tabulated in the foregoing Table, and as explained with respect to new claim 99 in the discussion of Section 6 of the Official Action.

As also explained re former claim 75 and Section 6 of the Official Action, Watanabe lacks the data set selected from the group of new claim 87 (which replaces claim 62), and lacks the data sets selected from the groups of new claims 93 and 102 (which replace claims 68 and 77).

Since applicant has explained the patentability over the grounds of rejection in the Official Action, for each of the new independent claims 76, 83, 91, 99 and 101, it does not seem necessary to discuss each dependent claim further at this time. A favorable action on all of the claims as now presented, is courteously solicited.

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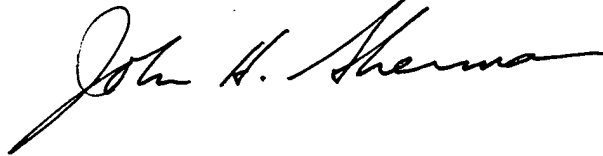
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CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing remarks and for various other reasons, Applicant respectfully requests a favorable consideration of all of the claims as now presented, and a Notice of Allowance is courteously solicited.

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